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INTERVIEWS FOR PROMOTION TO PRINCIPAL SCIENTIST IN ICAR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board, New Delhi, during April-May 2001 conducted interviews of scientists working under Indian Council of Agricultural Research for promotion from Senior Scientist to Principal Scientist (Professor) post;

(b) if so, the total number of scientists interviewed, the number out of them who possessed Ph.D. degrees and the number of scientists promoted with Ph.D. and without Ph.D. categories; and

(c) the percentage of scientists promoted under Ph.D. and non-Ph.D categories on the basis of appointment orders issued so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): As per the Career Advancement Scheme a Senior Scientist will be promoted to the post of Principal Scientist if he/she

i. has completed 8 year of service, and
ii. he/she presents himself/herself before the Selection Committee constituted by ASRB with some of the following:

a. Self appraisal report (required)
b. Research contribution/books/articles/research papers published
c. Any other academic contributions. The best three written contributions of the Sr. Scientist (as defined by him/her) may be sent in advance to the experts to review before coming for the selection.
d. Seminars/conferences attended.
e. Contribution to teaching/academic environment/institutional corporate life.
f. Extension and field outreach activities given above.

The Scheme further provides that Scientists grade S-2 who were designated as Sr. Scientists vide ICAR letter number 3-1/92-Per. IV dated 30th July, 1996 shall be eligible for promotion to the grade of Principal Scientists, if they fulfil the above eligibility criteria for Principal Scientist (promotion) given above.

As per the provisions of the scheme mentioned above, the required information is as follows:

i) Total number of scientists interviewed = 1625
ii) Number of Scientists with Ph.D. degree = 1353
iii) Number of Scientists promoted under Ph.D. category = 1272
iv) Number of Scientists promoted under without Ph.D. category = 244

Out of 1625 candidates interviewed, 1353 were with Ph.D. and 272 without Ph.D.Total number of 1516 candidates were promoted. Out of 1353 candidates who were having Ph.D. degree, 1272 were promoted.Out of 272 candidates who were not having Ph.D.

degree 244 were promoted.

On the basis of total number of candidates promoted i.e. 1516 the percentage of promoted candidates with Ph.D. degree and without Ph.D degree comes to 83.9% and 16.09% respectively.

However, on the basis of number of Ph.D degree holding candidates interviewed and promoted, the percentage of those promoted comes to 94%. Likewise, the percentage of non-Ph.D candidates considered and promoted comes to 89.7%.